

**CITY OF GREENBELT  
PROGRAM OPEN SPACE  
FY 2017 ANNUAL PROGRAM**

**Justification & Narrative Description of Projects**

The following materials are intended to clarify the City of Greenbelt's submission for the FY 2017 Program Open Space (POS) Annual Program. The City's FY 2017 Annual Program includes two development projects and one acquisition projects. One of the development projects, *Community Center Facility Upgrades*, has received Board of Public Works approval but the City is requesting additional POS funding. The second development project, *Community Center Playground Renovation* is a new POS project.

**Status of FY 2016 POS Annual Program & Encumbered Projects**

The City's FY 2016 POS Annual Program submission consisted of two development project (*Community Center Facility Upgrades and Buddy Attick Park Master Plan Improvements*) and one acquisition project. The Board of Public Works has approved the *Community Center Facility Upgrades Project and the Buddy Attick Park Master Plan Improvements Project*. The City expects the *Community Center Facility Upgrade Project* to be completed in FY 2017. The City is currently working on designs for improvements to the parking lot at Buddy Attick Park, and anticipates this project moving forward to construction in FY 2017.

The acquisition project, *Greenbelt Parkland Acquisition*, remains on hold as no acquisition projects have presented themselves to the City. If an opportunity arises the City will revise its annual program to be more site specific.

The City has several additional projects that have received Board of Public Works approval including the following: *Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center Upgrades Phase III, Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center Upgrades Phase II and Springhill Lake Center Expansion project*. The *Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center Upgrades Phase III* will be completed this fiscal year.

**Justification for FY 2017 Projects**

The City is strongly committed to protecting diminishing open space resources and providing quality recreational facility for its residents. The City's philosophy and policy commitment to this goal are set forth in the City's adopted goals action plan. This goals action plan includes an open space component, which defines a broad goal "to protect and increase Greenbelt's open space," and then spells out 12 objectives to achieve this goal.

The following is a brief description of and justification for the City's three proposed projects:

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**Justification & Narrative Description of Projects (continued)**

***Community Center Facility Upgrades (D-G1):*** The Greenbelt Community Center is a 55,000 square foot facility which was renovated in 1996. The original part of the building was built in 1937, and holds several historic designations. The facility is home to recreation classes, camps, senior daycare, children's daycare, special events and community meeting space. The facility houses City offices, resident studio artists, dance studio, GATE studio and gymnasium with stage. The facilities meeting space is used by various religious and community organizations. Currently a number of the facilities HVAC system components have failed resulting in deficiencies in performance and/or complete lack of climate control.

HVAC system improvements include; enhancements to system air handling and duct work in various areas of the building, zoning the system in some areas of the facility, replacement of fan coil units in the majority of rooms and other enhancements which will result in a more energy efficient and effective HVAC system.

This project is consistent with the State's 2009 planning visions. The project also supports the six goals that were development by the State of Maryland including providing high quality accessible recreational opportunities to the public and supporting investment in local recreation facilities.

The City has awarded a contract for construction services and expects installation of the new HVAC systems to get underway soon.

***Community Center Playground Renovation (D-G2):*** The City proposes to renovate an existing playground that is located in the historic core of the community near several recreation facilities including a community center, youth center, aquatic center, ball fields and library, as well as numerous homes. The playground serves children ages 2-5. Additionally the playground will be designed to be ADA and SPSC compliant.

The existing playground has equipment that is 25 years old or older and is no longer compliant with current safety guidelines. Additionally some of the equipment is directly under large mature trees, which creates a potential hazard from falling limbs and is not ideal for the health of the trees.

The project is consistent with the 2009 Maryland Planning Visions and the Prince George's County Park and Recreation Goals. The project will involve public participation in the planning and design of improvements. The project supports the City's commitment to resource conservation, land stewardship and the provision of high quality sustainable recreational/environmental resources.

***Greenbelt Parkland Acquisition (A-G1):*** This project proposes the acquisition of unspecified acres of undeveloped land for use as passive and/or active parkland. While

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**Justification & Narrative Description of Projects (continued)**

the City is not able to identify a specific parcel of land for acquisition at this time, by including this project in its annual program it will be in a better position to react if a parcel of land becomes available that the City has identified as having open space/recreation value. This project is consistent with both the City's goal to protect open space as well as the State's 2009 Planning Visions that advocate environmental protection, resource conservation and local stewardship efforts.

**CITY OF GREENBELT  
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FISCAL YEAR 2017**

**Development Reserve Funds:**

<b><u>Fiscal Year</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
FY 2016	\$88,064.64
FY 2017	\$87,011.54

**Acquisition Reserve Funds:**

<b><u>Fiscal Year</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
FY 2014	\$62,948.58

Note: M-NCPPC approved 100 percent of FY 2016 & FY 2017 allocations to be used towards development projects.

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**FY 2017**

<b><u>DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS:</u></b>	
D-G1	Community Center Facility Upgrades
D-G2	Community Center Playground Renovation
<b><u>ACQUISITION PROJECTS:</u></b>	
A-G1	Greenbelt Parkland Acquisition

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DEVELOPMENT PROJECT	
PROJECT ID	PROJECT NAME, PROJECT DESCRIPTION
D-G1	<u>Community Center Facility Upgrades</u> – This project involves replacing the aging HVAC system with a new energy efficient system. HVAC system improvements include; enhancements to system air handling and duct work in various areas of the building, zoning the system in some areas of the facility, replacement of fan coil units in the majority of rooms and other enhancements which will result in a more energy efficient and effective HVAC system. This project is consistent with the 2009 State planning visions. The project supports the City’s commitment to providing a high quality of life for its citizens.
D-G2	<u>Community Center Playground Renovation</u> – The City proposes to renovate a playground that is located in the historic core of our community near several recreational facilities. The playground serves children ages 2-5. The playground will be designed to be ADA and CPSC compliant. The existing playground has equipment that is 25 years old or older and is no longer compliant with current safety guidelines. This project is consistent with the 2009 State planning visions. The project supports quality of life and sustainability, public participation and community design.

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ANNUAL PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT  
FISCAL YEAR 2017**

<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Project ID</u>	<u>Project Name &amp; Project Description</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Source of Funds for Annual Program Only</u>			
			<u>Project</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>State (POS Local Funds)</u>	<u>Federal</u>
City of Greenbelt	D-G1	<u>Description: Community Center Facility Upgrades</u> – Replace the aging HVAC system with a new energy efficient system. There has already been \$270,000 encumbered in POS funding and the additional \$136,011.54 is to cover additional funding needed (Total funding = \$541,348.72).  <u>FY 2016:</u> \$51,738.46 <u>FY2017:</u> \$87,011.54		\$185,000.00	\$46,250.00	\$138,750.00	
City of Greenbelt	D-G2	<u>Description: Community Center Playground Renovation</u> – Renovate an existing playground with modern play equipment and address safety and ADA accessibility concerns. To fully fund this project the City will have to request that monies be transferred from an already encumbered project ( <i>SHL Recreation Center Expansion</i> )  <u>FY 2016:</u> \$36,326.18 Propose to transfer funds from SHL Recreation Center for remaining funding		\$165,226.00	\$41,306.50	\$123,919.50	

<b>VISION STATEMENTS – FY17</b>	
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<b><i>ACQUISITION PROJECTS</i></b>	
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<b><u>PROJECT ID</u></b>	<b><u>PROJECT NAME, PROJECT DESCRIPTION</u></b>
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A-G1	<i><u>Greenbelt Parkland Acquisition</u></i> – This project proposes the acquisition of undeveloped land within the City to provide increased recreational opportunities and/or for conservation purposes. A specific parcel has not been identified at this time, but the City wants to position itself to be in a financial position to acquire land for open space purposes as the opportunity arises. The project supports the following 2009 State planning visions: Quality of Life and Sustainability, Environmental Protection, Resource Conservation and Stewardship.
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FISCAL YEAR 2017

<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Project ID</u>	<u>Project Name, (Project Description)</u>	<u>Acreage</u>			<u>Source of Funds for Annual Program Only</u>			
			<u>Existing</u>	<u>Ultimate</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>State (POS Local Funds)</u>	<u>Federal</u>
City of Greenbelt	A-G1	Description: Parkland Acquisition – Acquisition of unspecified acres of land to provide recreational opportunities and/or trail connections within the City.  FY14: \$62,948.58	To be determined		To be determined	\$62,948.58		\$62,948.58	